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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

I am a college student, and I have essentially grown up with the computer industry. I cannot fathom why the United States government, a supposed voice of the people, could accept a settlement that more than a dozen states, let alone millions of people, completely disagree with. It doesn't sound like representative government to me, but maybe I should have studied more in civics.

The Government has a important chance here to influence an industry that is being squashed by Microsoft, and affect the minds of a public (particularly my generation) who see nothing but greed, favors and dirty politics in the institutions which claim to represent us.

This settlement is a joke, and I'm guessing the executives at Microsoft are laughing the most. Unless Microsoft is forced to stop its anti-competitive practices, companies with true ingenuity and creativity can never hope to survive - let alone flourish to a small fraction of what Microsoft currently dominates.

As a consumer, a voter and a citizen I stand strongly against this settlement and feel cheated by a government that is willing to accept it.

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